
Title: Chapter Four, Part 3

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Fourth Chapter: Shattered
Legacy

Some accusations were made that the attempted assassination had been commissioned by none other than Lord Blackthorn. Lord Blackthorn had recently returned unexpectedly to Britannia, bringing tales of his explorations of Ambrosia. He did not comment on the reports of witnessing him entering red moongates in various dungeons after his abduction, but very uncharacteristically expressed the need for greater enforcement of the virtues, especially on criminals such as the Followers of Armageddon. Any link between Lord Blackthorn and Gruzak remained tenuous and unsubstantiated.

The Followers of Armageddon still in possession of their freedom wasted no time in bringing their plans to fruition. Sending most of their remaining followers to a diversionary attack on Trinsic, they abducted Julia and Mariah to their sanctum in the depths of dungeon Shame, where the lingering effects of Mondain's ancient spells facilitated contact with dimensions outside Britannia. There they

compelled Julia and Mariah
to craft two stone
pentagrams from the
Followers' blackrock. The
pentagrams were
transported to the
surface for the ritual to
summon the dark wisps.
Britannian soldiery
intervened just as the
ritual was completed. The
dark wisps were
destroyed, and the
remaining Followers of
Armageddon, save only
Miron Vehl and the one
in prison, were
slain trying to defend
them.

Leaderless, the
remaining supporters of
the Followers disclosed
themselves in erratic,
purposeless attacks.
Tracking them down,
Halston Montil
interrogated members of
that motley crew until at
last learning of the
Follower's hideout in
Shame. Halston and the
Britannian forces arrived
in Shame at a strange
standoff. G'Thunk the
troll was facing down
Miron Vehl, leader of the
Followers of Armageddon.
To one side stood Mariah
and Julia. G'Thunk
intended to kill Miron
Vehl, blaming him, for
whatever reason, for the
death of his brother
G'Splat. The words of
Halston Montil, Julia, and
the others gathered would
not dissuade G'Thunk, and
he descended upon Vehl.
Julia interposed herself
at the last moment,
taking the blow that sent
her into a coma, from
which she has never
recovered. G'Thunk was
slain in the ensuing melee,
and Miron Vehl
surrendered himself.

Preparations were made
for a trial of Vehl and
the other captured
Follower of Armageddon,
but both inexplicably died
in custody.

The truth of their origins
and motives remained a
mystery until the
discovery of their
compatriots in Ilshenar.
